

PROVIDE IN LOAN BILL FOR PAHOA

Oahu Members Go Back on First Division.

Before the meeting of the Oahu delegation yesterday was five minutes old, it was known that the cry of disagreement on Manoa roads, raised in the House for the purpose of securing a reconsideration of the Oahu pro rata in the Loan Bill, on Wednesday, was a mask. It was a case of the Chinese actor, for while its face looked Manoa it was the same old Pahoa problem which had made a perennial appearance in the House, and once was beaten back to the jungle there.

There was a combination in sight to, and it surprised no one when the vote was taken to find six Republicans standing firmly against the sand bagging of the Loan bill, while five Republican members of the two Houses voted with six Home Rulers solidly on every division to down the Nuuanu item, and to include the Pahoa plan. That it was not accident was shown by the fact that no one attempted to answer the figures given by Harris, showing the business policy involved.

The best joke on the Oahu men was when they were compelled to go back to the House after all their hard cry against Manoa roads, and agree to give the very amount which Vida had declared was opposed by twelve members, while the item which was not mentioned in any way, in the House, was cut to pieces.

The delegation met in the Senate chamber with every one present. President Crabbe was chosen chairman and Representative Kumalae was made clerk.

When consideration began, Chillingworth recited the history of the disagreement in the House over the Manoa road item, saying also that he did not consider that there should be a discussion over all the items, but if that was the decision of the delegation, he was ready to go with them.

Crabbe thought the whole thing should be considered. Achi wanted to find the absolute pro rata before going on. Harris then explained the basis on assessed valuation of \$1,230,000. This would mean a loan of \$2,460,000. Taking the Territorial basis at \$900,000, this would leave approximately \$1,560,000 for the counties.

Achi said he wanted to know what was the basis for he understood the real question was between the Nuuanu reservoir and the Pahoa water works. He declared that he thought the Pahoa water works should be a Territorial item, as he believed the Territory should own all property, as it might later decide to alienate the water works, the Legislature had that power and so should pay for the property.

Chillingworth urged that the basis be accepted in the interest of making time and Crabbe and McCandless supported this view and Andrade moved that the delegation proceed to distribute \$791,075.87 as in the House and the delegation agreed. The consideration of the schedule as printed being taken up and proceeding at first harmoniously.

FIGHT OVER NUUANU.
When the Nuuanu reservoir, No. 4, \$150,000, was reached Cecil Brown moved to strike out, saying the site was not a suitable one unless the people wanted a stream of mud. Home Rulers seconded with a storm. Harris moved to pass and Chillingworth seconded.

Achi moved to amend to \$100,000, saying the contention of Brown was immaterial as the people had been using water from there for years. He said also that more lights are needed and the reservoir if built would furnish power for all the lights needed. He quoted the Public Works office figures to show that the saving by having the high level reservoir, a saving on coal amounting to twenty-four per cent on the investment. If Senator Brown wanted to buy Pahoa water works, it was his privilege to work for it, he said, but it would be looking out for a few voters while hundreds are lacking water. Money could be saved on other items he said to buy Pahoa water works, if that was all Senator Brown wanted.

Brown said that he objected as the storage reservoir would have no stream of fresh water, there was plenty of vegetable matter and the result would be that the water would become stagnant. He said there would be nothing but storm water collected. If power was wanted put in \$50,000 or \$75,000. There is a system at Pahoa, he said, which could be developed by the expenditure of \$10,000, which would be sufficient to supply the eastern end of the city. That, he said, was a business proposition.

Kalauokalani moved to cut the amount to \$75,000, which Brown said he would accept.

Paele said there was now sufficient supply from two springs up the valley, but it was not wise to use it seven miles away and yet not have any in districts close to the reservoirs.

MONEY FOR JAPANESE

The Fire Claims to Be Paid at Once.

The payment of Japanese Fire Claims will commence on Saturday at the office of the committee over the store of S. Ozaki, on King street, near Maunakea. The committee has called for the liquidation of fifty claims a day for the first week, the idea being to see just what is the capacity of the office to liquidate the claims.

The Japanese committee will not only insist upon the identification of all claimants by some responsible person, but as well upon the trustee agreement with Ozaki, and likewise the consular certificate. In case either of these papers is lost then the claimant must appear prepared to prove his former possession of the documents, when and how they disappeared and satisfy the committee that he has not pledged these documents, so that no person may suffer in the distribution.

The present plan is to have all payments made by check of the trustee, Ozaki, upon Bishop & Co. The cash as drawn from the First National Bank and the returns from the sale of the bonds to the Bank of Hawaii will be consolidated at the first named bank and the claimant with his sponsor will simply proceed from the committee's office to the bank and there receive 97½ per cent of the face of the claim.

At the rate of fifty a day it will take more than two months to liquidate all the claims, so the expectation is that there will be faster work after it is once inaugurated.

ANDRADE AND McCANDLESS FAVOR.

Andrade said that the construction of the Nuuanu reservoir would mean that water would be in reach of every portion of the city, by a cheap, gravity system.

McCandless objected to consideration of purchase of something else, as the only thing under consideration was the Nuuanu reservoir. It was not a business proposition to talk of cutting down the item for it would take the whole amount to build the reservoir and any smaller sum would be thrown away. He said he knew of the water in Nuuanu which never dried up, and it would always be capable of filling the reservoir. As to no water in Manoa, he said, the proposed Pahoa pump would not supply that district, but A. V. Gear, who was sitting back, interrupted him to say that it would.

Aylett said he was not in favor of the reservoir appropriation when by purchasing the Pahoa water system the people at the eastern end of the city would have. He said he was in favor of a compromise, so that there could be done work looking to sufficient water for all sides of the city.

ISENBERG ON WATER GEN- ERALLY.

Isenberg said the question had been threshed out before. Despite the fact that experts had said the reservoir was possible, yet a man who had built many reservoirs said he would not advise any appropriations until a careful investigation had been made. He said he would favor a compromise. He said he was in favor of the Pahoa plant for Molili people and even in favor of a Manoa reservoir, and thought a reservoir in Kalihi would be preferable to putting in one great reservoir in Nuuanu valley.

Kumalae said even if a half million was given the Nuuanu system, it would be impossible for water from that valley to supply the city. He said first that the proposed site was below the source of the water which would not run back up hill; that the friction was so great that the water from Nuuanu would not rise to its level at ten miles away. He then said he was opposed to the reservoir because he feared a repetition of the Johnstown disaster. The Pahoa plant, he said, would supply Manoa valley readily. He declared himself in favor of a system of small reservoirs to gather the water from the valleys.

AS A BUSINESS PROPOSITION.

Harris insisted that it was a business proposition with him. To build a reservoir would mean that 700 horse power would be available with the expenditure of the interest alone. As to Pahoa he said it would mean \$8,000 a year for running expenses. He said as a business proposition the cost of running should be taken into consideration. He pointed out that the cost of running pumping plants should be taken into consideration.

Brown returned to the attack asking if it was not a fact that the pumping plants at Beretania and Kalihi today supplied the city. He declared that there was no water above the proposed site of the Nuuanu reservoir.

The first motion put was that to strike out the item and it was a tie. Senator Crabbe deciding the vote in favor of retaining the item in the bill. Those in favor of striking out were: Brown, Vida, Damiana, Kou, Paele, Oili, Kupihea and Kumalae. By practically the same vote, Isenberg joining the opposition, an amendment at \$100,000 was voted down and the item inserted at \$75,000.

Andrade moved to insert a new item of \$50,000 for a Manoa reservoir. McCandless amending to put it at \$75,000. The Pahoa men, as shown by the opposition to Nuuanu, voted the item down.

PAHOA SCHEME INSERTED.

Kupihea had claimed the floor from Andrade and now was recognized to move for the insertion of the item "Purchase of the Pahoa water works, etc., \$75,000." Andrade said he would

BOOTH'S PACIFIC HEIGHTS HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Chas. W. Booth's \$20,000 Pacific Heights summer home was totally destroyed by fire at an early hour this morning. Two natives, an old man and a young man, have been sleeping there at night lately but they are supposed to have come down early last evening. This, however, is not certain, and their remains may possibly be found in the ruins when they are examined today.

The fire started shortly after twelve o'clock last night. Mrs. Watson, who is living in the old Judge Silliman home, the nearest



THE THREE-STORY BOOTH HOMESTEAD ON PACIFIC HEIGHTS WHICH WAS COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY FIRE THIS MORNING.

adjoining residence, said she heard the crackling of flames, probably at 12:30 o'clock. She looked out of the window, and saw the Booth place in flames. From the looks of it at that time, she believes that the building must have been burning at least half an hour, before she discovered it.

The alarm was sent in from School and Emma street, and the fire department responded promptly. When the box was reached from which the alarm came, the fire was seen to be on the most inaccessible spot on Pacific Heights. To reach it would have made necessary a run of over two miles, as the building can not be approached from the town side. No further effort was made to get water upon the blaze. In fact the only persons that reached the scene of the fire at all were two Japanese, one or two neighbors, Officer Renear and a few others.

The building, a three-story wooden structure, burned rapidly, and if there were any occupants of the place, they had but small chance to escape. The fire apparently started in the lower part of the house, but it did not take the flames long in enveloping the entire structure. At 1:30 o'clock, an hour and a half after the fire started, there was nothing left of the handsome building but a small pile of brightly blazing ruins.

There was no furniture in the building to speak of. The Booths were intending to move into the place within a few days, and it was overhauled and repaired generally. Painters were at work about the place yesterday, and it is barely possible that they left some oily rags about. No other theory for the fire can be advanced.

As to the probable burning of the natives, there is considerable doubt. Mrs. Watson stated last evening that an old native and a young boy were in the habit of going to the house every day, and slept there. Another neighbor said that she had seen two men come from the house. Native families living nearby did not believe anyone was in the building. Not far from the burning house a luau was in progress, and the natives played and sang as the house burned.

The building was a three-story structure of seven rooms and was beautifully finished. It was built several years ago by Mr. Booth at a cost of nearly \$20,000 and was one of the finest residences on Pacific Heights. It was said last night, however, that Mr. Booth had tried several times to sell the property but received no offer anywhere near what it had cost. One report was that he had offered it at auction, and the highest bid was \$7,000. The building was then withdrawn.

Mr. Booth is at Waikiki and was not notified of the fire last night. At least he did not appear in the vicinity of the blaze. The building was insured for \$8,000 in the Phoenix Insurance Co. of Brooklyn, for which C. J. Hutchins is the local agent.

they would go with him to the Superintendent of Public Works and ask that these be cared for out of the six months appropriation.

Kupihea tried to get the School street survey as made by the Home Rule legislature put into the bill, but failed, and tried to have Queen street cut out, failing there as well.

There was a fight made on Manoa and Pahoa roads, but the delegation gave each \$10,000, which completed the pro rata of Oahu and was declared adopted.

Kumalae broke up the meeting at the end by asking if it was the belief of the members that those who had taken part in the work would be bound to sign a report to the House, and when he was told that this was the understanding, declared that he would not vote for such appropriations, and the delegation simply disintegrated.

MANOA NOT IN IT.

Immediately Andrade returned to the attack with a motion to insert \$10,000 for a reservoir for Manoa, McCandless moving to make it \$50,000. Brown characterized it as a scheme for the purpose of killing Pahoa, saying that the water from that pump would supply the district. Andrade made a hard fight, on the plea that the people there would need water, and should have it. Brown offered to vote for Manoa if Nuuanu was stricken out. There was some more talk, but the Pahoa votes killed the Manoa item.

Achi wanted \$10,000 for the installation of the high lift pump purchased for the Beretania street system, but for which no provision is made, at Kalihi, and got it by cutting off the electric light works item.

Kumalae moved \$50,000 for fixing up Kewalo and Kakaako streets, but cut it to \$20,000 when it was explained that the Kewalo streets belonged to Desky still, speaking heatedly for Kakaako. He quit only when the members said

CONTRACTS AWARDED

For Supplies of All Sorts to Board of Health.

Below appears a list of the successful bidders for supplies to the Board of Health. With the exception of that for drugs, etc., the contracts are for six months from June 30, 1903:

FOR LEPER SETTLEMENT.

Allen & Robinson—Lumber N. W. 2x4 up, the same less than 2x4, T. & G. N. W. 1x6, redwood surfaced, redwood shingles, redwood battens 1x3, doors 2x6x6x1½, window sash 10x12, same 10x14, coal in bags.

H. Hackfeld & Co.—Boiled oil, lime, baking powder, flour, matches, kerosene oil.

E. O. Hall & Son—Cut nails 8d., galvanized pipe ½ in., the same 1 in., guava charcoal, coarse salt.

Honolulu Iron Works—Galvanized iron pipe 1½ in., do 2 in., do 3 in., do 4 in., lead.

J. A. Hopper & Co.—Galvanized iron pipe ½ in., do 1 in., do 2 in., Hawaiian No. 1 rice.

Lewis & Co.—Extra mess corned beef, condensed milk M. M., do Rose, best red salmon, corned salmon.

Love's Bakery—Medium bread.

H. May & Co.—Green Kona coffee, roasted do, condensed milk Eagle, sugar raw No. 1, wheat.

M. W. McChesney & Sons—Brown soap.

Pacific Hardware Co.—Nails galvanized 8d., do 3d., white lead, turpentine.

Union Feed Co.—Wheat bran.

FOR INSANE ASYLUM.

D. G. Camarinos Estate—Prunes.

H. Hackfeld & Co.—Bayo beans, flour, onions, No. 1 sugar.

J. A. Hopper & Co.—Hawaiian No. 1 rice.

Inter-Island Steam Navigation Co.—Coal.

Lewis & Co.—Mill brooms, pork extra clear, do extra mess, best red salmon, canned tomatoes, Pouchong tea.

Love's Bakery—Fresh bread, medium do.

H. May & Co.—White beans, baking powder, yard brooms, green Kona coffee.

Metropolitan Meat Co.—Beef—fore quarters, rumps, rounds and loin steaks.

E. O. Hall & Son—Steamboat brooms.

OTHER CONTRACTS.

Benson, Smith & Co. were awarded the contract for furnishing drugs, medicines and surgical supplies to the Board of Health for two years, they having been the lowest bidders for a majority of the 1500 items or so in the pharmacopoeia.

Wilder's Steamship Co. was the only bidder for transportation, but the tender was reserved for consideration at next meeting.

As stated yesterday, Parker's ranch as the only bidder was awarded the contract for beef cattle to be delivered at the settlement.

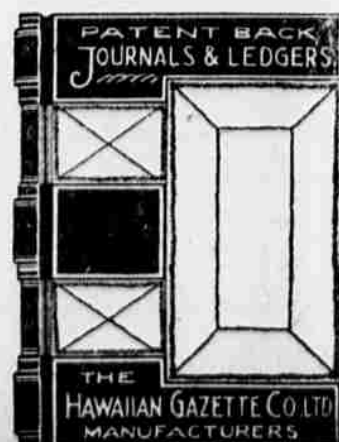
The palai bids are in the hands of a committee and the contract will not be awarded until the Legislature has decided the amount of weekly palai rations.

MERCHANTS MOVE FOR CELEBRATION

July Fourth will be made a dual celebration, for it is now expected that the cable will land in the islands on that day, and in consequence there will be not only the national natal day's commemoration, but the newer epoch making event to celebrate.

The directors of the Merchants' Association yesterday began the preparations for the day. Messrs. Macfarlane and Rothwell were appointed by the president to serve as a committee, to act with a similar body from the Chamber of Commerce, in arranging for the events of the day. It was the opinion of the directors that there should be planned nothing of an elaborate nature, but that it should be purely general, democratic and popular so that there should be no question of the participation of all the people in the day's events.

In addition to the arrangement for the taking up of the work of this day, the directors, at the meeting yesterday, passed upon the memorial and resolutions which are to be forwarded to the Secretary of War. The full text of the resolutions is withheld, until released at headquarters, but it is a strong paper asking for the stopping of the transports here.



CALENDAR IS REDUCED

Cases Disposed of by Supreme Court.

Since the previous report the record of proceedings in the Supreme Court is as follows:

The petitions of the Hawaii Herald and the Hilo Tribune to be declared newspapers of general circulation were discontinued. Legislation at the regular session has changed the law relating to judicial advertising.

Exceptions from the Fourth Circuit Court in Territory vs. Ng Kow were argued and submitted.

C. H. Bolte et al. vs. C. H. Bellina et al., the Club Stables controversy over salaries, was argued and submitted.

Kahalaahu vs. M. S. Pereira, appeal from Judge, First Circuit, was argued and submitted.

The motion to dismiss defendant's appeal in J. D. Paris vs. J. A. Magoon, administrator, was granted.

MATTERS IN PROBATE.

Mrs. Ada Patterson, executrix, files an inventory of the estate of Geo. W. Patterson, deceased, showing land on the west side of Punchbowl street, valued at \$4,000; 25 shares of Kihikihi stock, \$162.50; leasehold interest at Kapiolani Park, \$2,000, and back and horse, \$200; total, \$6,262.50.

In the matter of the estate of D. B. Smith, deceased, Mamie L. Burke files receipt for \$27,235.88, being the balance of cash in his hands as administrator, turned over by Cecil Brown. The receipt is dated May 5, 1903, at Texarkana, Texas.

Judge De Bolt granted the petition of D. L. Akwai, administrator of the estate of Yee Sen, for leave to release and quitclaim the interest of the estate in a certain fire claim award upon the payment to the estate of \$250.

Abigail Parker, Cecil Brown and J. O. Carter, executrix and executors under the will of James Campbell, deceased, give notice of appeal from the decision of Judge Gear.

COURT NOTES.

Judge Gear will hear further argument in regard to alimony in the Williams divorce case at noon today.

Dole vs. Bailey was continued by Judge Gear until 1:30 p. m. today.

Judge Robinson granted the Lunali-estate trustees and Anton Lidgate, severally, leave to join the receiver in the Silva divorce case in suit to foreclose mortgage.

Notices of liens amounting to \$177.50 on F. M. Swamy's dwelling house were filed yesterday afternoon by W. J. Bald and Thos. Mullen.

W. A. Whiting, commissioner of partition in the suit of Harriet Baily et al. vs. Elizabeth M. Cushingham, has filed his final report and return and account of sales. The aggregate proceeds of the sales by public auction on May 9 and June 13 were \$41,890 and the expenses \$1517.45.

To Be Depended On

Because It Is the Experience
of a Honolulu Citizen and
Can Readily be In-
vestigated

A stranger lost in a large city would place far more dependence on the directions given him by a local resident than the guidance of another stranger like himself. This is a natural consequence of experience; it's like a ship in a strange port—a trusty pilot familiar with the harbor is always called upon to bring her safely to her moorings. So it is with endorsement; we doubt the sayings of people living at a distant point because we can't investigate, but public expression of local citizens can be depended upon, for 'tis an easy matter to prove it. Evidence like the following is beyond dispute:

Mr. W. F. Williams of this city, is a light-house keeper, and he has held this position for the last 30 years. He says: "I was for a number of years, one of that numerous army of people who suffer with their backs. Mine ached and pained me to no small extent, so that I was glad when I heard of a remedy for it, Doan's Backache Kidney Pills. I obtained some of these at the Hollister Drug Co.'s store, and took them. They gave me great relief, and I make this short narration of my experiences for the benefit of others who perhaps do not know that nearly all backache arises from the kidneys, and the best medicine for it is Doan's Backache Kidney Pills."

Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are 50 cents per box, for sale by all druggists; sent by mail on receipt of price by the Hollister Drug Co., Honolulu wholesale agents for the Hawaiian Islands.

Alameda Duo.

The Alameda is due this morning from San Francisco. She will have two days' later mail. She also will bring a lot of fresh fruit which was held over from the Nebraskan.

Chilcott Arrives With Oil.

The American ship Marion Chilcott arrived early yesterday morning from San Francisco with oil. She docked at the railroad wharf and has begun discharging her cargo of oil.